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SYSTEM AND METHOD AND SPECIMEN HOLDER THEREFOR, the

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Attorney's Docket No. AHURA-1116.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby claim priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(e) of:

(1) pending prior U.S. Provisional Patent

Application Serial No. 60/463,967, filed 04/18/03 by

Kevin J. Knopp et al. for SAMPLE VIAL FOR RAMAN

SPECTROSCOPY WHICH ENABLES IMPROVED SPECIMEN

SELECTIVITY (Attorney's Docket No. AHURA-11 PROV); and

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(2) pending prior U.S. Provisional Patent
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